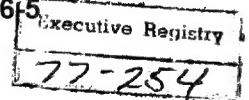


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Hon. George Bush
Washington, D. C.
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My Dear Friend:

What a joy to receive your New Year greetings which I heartily reciprocate. Ever since I left [redacted] which perforce carried a great deal of spotlight, I have in the last few years tried to keep a very low personal profile, so much so, that I have even refrained from sending holiday messages to my esteemed friends though they are constantly in my thoughts. It is indeed comforting to know that such pleasant remembrances are mutually shared.

It was most kind of you to spare so much of your time to talk with me during my visit to Washington last May. I thoroughly enjoyed the occasion both for the renewal of our friendship and for the substance of our discussions. [redacted]

personally, I was proud to have gained a loyal friend. You have since then won my admiration and affection.

Since your assumption of office in the Agency, you have restored, through sincerity and hard work, confidence and prestige both inside and outside of the organization following a traumatic period. It is certain that I must be among many of your admirers to feel deeply sorry for your departure. Like your other well-wishers, I am confident that with your wisdom, experience and integrity, you will always have an important rôle to play in American public life. Whatever may be your new pursuits, you have my prayer for your every success and well-being.

Yours sincerely,



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